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ESTIMATION DEVICE AND
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CALCULATION DEVICE FOR
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1. Yukio Kobayashi, et. al., "An Influence due to Mixel in Category Classification Using EM Algorithm and Its Improvement", Vol. 37, No. 1, pp. 39-48, (Jan. 1996);

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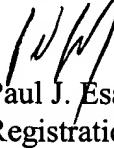
2. Ikuo Yonemoto, et. al., "An On-line Estimation Algorithm of Probability Density Function Using Information Criterion", The Institute of Electronics, Information and Communication Engineers, Technical Report of IEICE, PRMU98-174 (1998-12), pp. 189-194;
3. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 6-325009, dated November 25, 1994; and
4. Hang LI, et. al., "Document Classification Using a Finite Mixture Model", pp. 37-44, (1997).

The references were cited in a Japanese Office Action dated July 29, 2003 received from the Japanese Patent Office. Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited references, together with an English translation of the Examiner's comments regarding the references from the Official Action. The relevance of the references is described in the Official Action.

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